# Treating the Whole Person: Emotional, Social, and Spiritual

(with Learning Objectives for CME)

8:00-8:30 Registration

8:30-8:45 Introductory remarks by hospital administrator (why training session is held)

Improve quality of care for patients

Enhance quality of life

Enhance self-care and health maintenance

Enhance satisfaction with care received and care provided

# I. Whole person health care (8:45-9:15) (30 min)

- 1. Participants will learn about what whole person care consists of, including the physical, psychological, social, and spiritual aspects of care
  - 2. Participants will learn about the importance of diagnosing and treating depression

## II. Historical connection between religion/spirituality and health care (9:15-9:30) (15 min)

- 1. Participants will learn about the origin of hospitals, first health professionals and evolution of secular health care
- 2. Participants will learn about how religion separated from health care and why this came about

## III. Definitions, importance and prevalence (9:30-9:45) (15 min)

- 1. Participants will learn about the differences between religion, spirituality, and humanism
- 2. Participants will learn about how common religion is in the US and how it increases with age

**QUESTIONS** (10 min) & **BREAK** (20 min) (9:45-10:15)

## IV. Use of religion/spirituality to cope with health stress (10:15-10:30) (15 min)

- 1. Participants will learn about a case published in JAMA that exemplifies religious coping
  - 2. Participants will learn how religion is used to cope with illness in medical settings
  - 3. Participants will learn how religious is used to cope with stress in general

## V. Research on religion, spirituality and mental health (10:30-11:00) (30 min)

- 1. Participants will learn how to measure religion/spirituality
- 2. Participants will learn about the relationships between religion and mental health

# VI. Research on religion, spirituality and physical health (11:00-11:30) (30 min)

- 1. Participants will learn about mind-body relationships
- 2. Participants will learn about how religion influences health & medical outcomes
- 3. Participants will learn about how religion affects medical decision-making

#### QUESTIONS & OPEN DISCUSSION (11:30-12:00) (30 min)

#### **LUNCH** (12:00-12:45)

### VII. Application to clinical practice (12:45-1:30) (45 min)

- 1. Participants will learn how to address spiritual issues in patient care
- 2. Participants will learn how to take a spiritual history
- 3. Participants will learn about boundary conflicts and role of spiritual care experts

#### VIII. Identifying patients' psychological, social, and spiritual needs (1:30- 2:00) (30 min)

- 1. Participants will learn about the kinds of psychological, social, and spiritual needs that patients have
  - 2. Participants will learn how religion helps patients to meet those needs

#### **QUESTIONS** (10 min) **AND BREAK** (20 min) (2:00-2:30)

### IX. Psychological, social, and spiritual needs of hospital staff (2:30-3:00) (30 min)

- 1. Participants will learn about the kinds of psychological, social, and spiritual needs that hospital staff have
- 2. Participants will learn about the importance of addressing these needs to maximize the quality and satisfaction with care

#### X. Demographic/economic changes affecting health care (3:00-3:30) (30 min)

- 1. Participants will learn about demographic changes that will affect the health care system and increase pressure on it
- 2. Participants will learn about hospital-religious community partnership to help ensure that patients receive adequate care in the community
- 3. Participants will learn about the central role that parish nurses play in linking faith communities with health care systems

# **QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION** (3:30-4:00)

**ADJOURN** (4:00)